

## House Resolution 1662

By: Representatives Buckner of the 130<sup>th</sup>, Smith of the 129<sup>th</sup>, and Cheokas of the 134<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

1 Celebrating the life of Mary Will Robinson and dedicating the Mary Will Robinson  
2 Memorial Highway in her memory; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Mary Will was born to William and Sally Rutherford on October 1, 1910, on  
4 what is now known as SR 355; and

5 WHEREAS, in 1928, she married Dewey Robinson, whose family also lived on SR 355, and  
6 together they had six children; and

7 WHEREAS, she was widowed in 1949 and left to raise her children, one of whom was born  
8 three months after her husband's death, alone; and

9 WHEREAS, the family endured many hardships and all of them worked for neighboring  
10 farmers to support themselves; and

11 WHEREAS, Mary Will's children attended Marion County public schools and all of them  
12 grew up to be responsible adults; and

13 WHEREAS, Mary Will was an active member of the community, sometimes acting as  
14 midwife and sometimes serving as the undertaker, and she also cared for her widowed father  
15 until his death; and

16 WHEREAS, she was one of the founding members of the Brown Springs Church of God and  
17 was the last surviving member when she passed away; she rarely missed a church service and  
18 helped to care for the cemetery which is now her final resting place; and

19 WHEREAS, three of her sons, Clarence (Peewee), Rainey, and Benny still live in the  
20 community; and

1 WHEREAS, to honor Mary Will Robinson and her life of service to her family, her church,  
2 and her community, it is only fitting that the highway she was born and died on should be  
3 named in her honor.

4 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF  
5 GEORGIA that the portion of SR 355 beginning at the intersection of Dr. Brooks Road and  
6 continuing to the intersection with SR 352, in Marion County, is dedicated as the Mary Will  
7 Robinson Memorial Highway.

8 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Transportation is authorized and  
9 directed to erect and maintain appropriate signs dedicating the Mary Will Robinson  
10 Memorial Highway.

11 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
12 and directed to transmit appropriate copies of this resolution to the family of Mary Will  
13 Robinson and to the Department of Transportation.